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Dear Bill:

As we discussed, in the final report for Market Sample #33 several errors were noted for rounded nicotine values. In each case, the value 10.0mg was listed instead of <0.05mg. for four packings of our brands. On page 14 of your report, Merit De-Nic Ultra Low Tar KFSP and Merit De-Nic Ultra Low Tar Menthol KFMSP were listed as 10.0. On page 15, Next De-Nic Ultra Low Tar KFSP and Next De-Nic Ultra Low Tar Menthol KFMSP were also listed as 10.0. Evidently a major transcription error was introduced from the draft report to the final report. The reason for the error may not be known, but the final report must be corrected.

Please make the necessary changes and reissue those pages to organizations who had received your final report.

Sincerely,

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